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RCWD Board of Managers Special Workshop

Monday, April 17, 2023

**Rice Creek Watershed District Conference Room
4325 Pheasant Ridge Drive NE, Suite 611, Blaine, Minnesota**

**And**

**Meeting also conducted by alternative means
(teleconference or video-teleconference) from remote location**

The Board convened the workshop at 10:00 a.m.

Attendance: Board members Mike Bradley, John Waller, Jess Robertson, Marcie Weinandt, Steve Wagamon

Absent:

Staff: Administrator Nick Tomczik; Public Drainage Inspectors Ashlee Ricci and Tom Schmidt, Technical Field Assistant Abel Green; Office Manager Theresa Stasica (video-conference)

Consultants: District Attorney Louis Smith (video-conference)-Smith Partners; District Engineer Chris Otterness-Houston Engineering (HEI); Attorney John Kolb-Rinke Noonan

Visitors: Washington County Commissioner Fran Miron, Perry Wagamon, City of Columbus Council Member Janet Hegland

**Review of District obligations and its approach as public drainage authority**

District consultants and staff gave a presentation to the Board regarding the history of RCWD public drainage system management, and its evolution toward current management policy. The presentation included: County Management 1890-1973, RCWD early years 1973-2000, Resource Management Plans 2000-2007, transitional period 2007-2011, systematic management period 2011-current, District’s public drainage system cost allocation policy, repair (reconstruction) approach and typical repair process, approach for selection of repair, maintenance, and landowner engagement policy.

The workshop was adjourned at 12:36 p.m.